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As we find ourselves on the somewhat ominous Ides of March, we have a return to one of our popular “mini” uploads mostly focused around the theme of skulls and skeletons in exonumia. Here’s a quick survey of a few of the ten new items just added…

First up, it wouldn’t be one of these themed groups without a medal honoring the 50th anniversary of the doctorate earned by Johann Friedrich Blumenbach, famous for his classification of human skulls on the outdated idea that different races had different shapes to their skulls…

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Another is a type which we have not offered before, and celebrates a figure well known to collectors of ancient coins, Samuel-Jean Pozzi. In addition to having an extensive collection of coins, he was known professionally for being a surgeon and gynecologist, with that latter role being highlighted, rather creepily, upon the reverse of this medal...

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Lastly, we have an appearance by the *Totentanz*-themed (Dance of Death) World War I series of medals by Walther Eberbach. This series in particular has been rising extremely quickly in popularity, with pieces becoming immensely difficult to obtain. Given the WWI theme along with the onslaught and war crimes that are currently unfolding before all who are not blindfolded, the savagery of medals from this series strikes a new, more relevant chord. Here, Death is attempting to strangle the Lupa Romana (*she-wolf that mythically raised Romulus and Remus—as such, a symbol of Rome*) for Italy's back-peddling upon its early alliance with the Empires of Germany and Austria-Hungary, opting instead to remain neutral...

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